

REMARKS

Claims 8-10, 20-21, 24 and 29-38 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between the following identified inventions:

Group 1: Claims 8-10, 29-31 and 33-36; and

Group 2: Claims 20-21, 24 and 32.

Applicant hereby elects the invention of Group 1, Claims 8-10, 29-31 and 33-36 without traverse. New claims 37-38 directed to the elected invention have been added.

Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact Charles Gorenstein, Registration No. 29,271 at the telephone number of the undersigned below, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

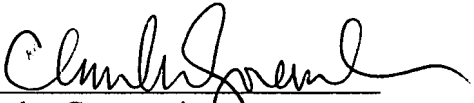
If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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